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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Please consider those of us that live in rural areas.

Our only connection is copper wire with DSL and that is all we have available to us.

Why not make more available in the way of choices rather than making our options limited to take this or nothing. The small local IT providers need a means to offer something and our only choice available is the local copper lines that exist where nothing else is available.

Broadband would be nice but not feasible when only a few hundred or even a few thousand customers are all there are.

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